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TRIUMPHANT & JOYFUL MUSIC Concert in Daretown features Trumpet and Organ

(SALEM, NJ)—"Triumphant Music," the second concert in the 2011-2012 season of Music Around the County takes place on Sunday, November 13, 3 pm, and showcases the exciting sounds of brass, organ and piano at Pittsgrove Presbyterian Church in Daretown. The concert, headlined by Thomas MacWilliams and Lawrence DePasquale of Rowan University, is sponsored by the Salem County Cultural & Heritage Commission and the Salem County Arts Alliance.

"This concert is return engagement for MacWilliams and DePasquale," said Freeholder Director Beth Timberman, liaison to the Cultural & Heritage Commission. "Last year's performance was so exciting and drew a large audience, and we are looking forward to another memorable afternoon of great music."

Lawrence DePasquale is a member of the professional staff of the University's Music Department and a well-regarded conductor, educator, and recitalist. He is a graduate of Glassboro State College, where he studied conducting with Clarence Miller, music education with Lili Levinowitz, and organ with Dennis Elwell, and is an Associate in Ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, serving St. Stephen's Parish in Woodbury as Cantor. Thomas MacWilliams is a gifted young musician from Dunellen, NJ, and presently a student at Rowan University, studying music education with Lili Levinowitz and trumpet with Bryan Appleby-Wineberg. MacWilliams' performances have earned him a reputation as one of the most exciting young musicians in the region. The program of work by Puccini, Purcell and others has been selected to showcase the performers' virtuosity.

"I have enjoyed accompanying Tom mostly in church work over the past two years. He is enthusiastic, precise and has notable endurance" said DePasquale. "And the Pittsgrove church is a wonderful performance space for this kind of music."

Pittsgrove Presbyterian Church with its towering steeple is a landmark in Salem County. Founded in 1741 the congregation is among the oldest in the region. The church is located at 312 Daretown Rd., just two miles from Pole Tavern Circle, Rt. 77, Upper Pittsgrove, NJ.



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There is no admission charge for the program and the Church Deacons will present a light reception in the social hall following the performance. For information go to www.visitSalemCountyNJ.com or call toll-free 877-658-6871.